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SENT VIA EMAIL

Craig D. Lapiejko
United States Coast Guard

RE: Proposed Anchorage Grounds on Hudson River

Dear Sir:

I am the owner of the Haverstraw Marina, the largest marina on the Hudson River. The marina has 800 slips, a major restaurant, an Olympic sized pool, service buildings for the repair and maintenance of hundreds of boats, and retail services that support the thousands of people who visit us.

We strongly protest the proposed new anchorages at Stony Point and the Haverstraw Bay on the basis of its adverse impact on the economic, safety and aesthetic well-being of our facility.

Based on the preliminary drawings that we have seen, these anchorages will interfere with entry into the marina, thereby impeding the safe entry and exit from the marina. Transients, of which we have many, will have a more difficult time finding our entry and will run the risk of collision when entering at night or under adverse weather conditions.

In the summer, we have hundreds of people on the deck of the restaurant enjoying the beautiful scenic view. The last thing they need to see are moored barges in front of them.

It is extraordinary that public hearings are not being held.

We believe that this proposal will reduce our ability to rent slips as well as reduce our transient business, thereby causing a loss of revenue to all the facilities located at the marina.

We ask that this specific location be removed from consideration

Sincerely yours,
HAVERSTRAW MARINA CORPORATION

Norman M. Feinberg
President

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cc: Sen. Kirsten Gillibrand
Congresswoman Nita Lowry
Howard Philips, Town Supervisor
Sen. Charles Schumer